

January 2021 Minutes

South Licking Watershed Conservancy District

Date at 6 pm.

Hebron Municipal Complex
934 W. Main Street, Hebron

Chairman Dan Blatter called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Directors: Dan Blatter, Kevin Elder, Linda Nicodemus

Visitors present: Barbara Bebout & Greg Miller (Condominium at Glenwood Association via Zoom); Carolyn Glenn via Zoom; Matt Baumann (BLT via Zoom); Kristy Hawthorn & Jackie Bruns (LCSWCD via Zoom); Peggy Wells (Mayor of Buckeye Lake via Zoom); Miles Hebert (EMH&T via Zoom);

Board Reorganization for 2021:

Dan asked for nominations for Chair, Linda Moved all officer remain the same for 2021, Kevin seconded, motion carried:

Officer for 2021 will remain the same as 2020 – Dan Blatter, Chairman; Kevin Elder, Vice-Chairman; Linda Nicodemus, Secretary/Treasurer.

Comments of visitors:

Barbara Bebout – President of Condo. Assn. in Heath (condominiums that flooded in March of 2020

Carolyn Glenn – resident of condominiums on their flood committee.

Greg Miller – Vice-President of Condo Assn. –

Jackie Bruns – new Conservation Educator for LCSWCD.

Conservancy Court Annual Meeting. Minutes and official Order memorializing the Annual Meeting were sent out by email to all by Linda.

Approve Minutes of December 14, 2020: Kevin moved to accept the minutes, Linda seconded, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Linda reported a balance of \$7,302.58 after payment of all bills. Kevin moved to accept the report, Dan seconded, motion carried.

Old Business

1) Watershed plan update/revision:

- a) Linda reported the virtual meeting recently held with Army Corps. Included Boris Slogar, MWCD, Miles Hebert, EMH&T, ODOT. A 2007 flood study was received from ODOT today. No update since the channel widening project. We are looking for all previous studies to be submitted to Army Corp to be a part of the evaluation of what has been done and to determine what is needed.
 - i) Linda moved we send a letter to Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District (MWCD) in support of Heath's application for a debris removal grant. Kevin seconded; motion carried.
 - ii) Kevin moved we support efforts of Heath to obtain a MWCD grant for an H & H study, Linda seconded, motion carried.

- b) Information, existing H & H studies, etc. is being gathered and forwarded to the Army Corp and to determine what is needed.
- 1) Watershed update;
- a) Fairfield County Soil & Water – no update
 - b) Licking County Soil & Water – Kristy: New Conservation Educator on-board. Suggested potential funding sources: Clean Ohio Funds & Capital Fund dollars.
 - i) Reports Grosse Brothers wetland project is moving forward in design.
 - c) Perry County Soil & Water – no update
 - d) Buckeye Lake Watershed – Sebastian Teas update sent to Linda:
 - i) Second 9-element plan submitted to OEPA;
 - ii) 319 application was submitted last month;
 - iii) Wrote summary of 2020 watering monitoring for BL watershed.
 - e) H & H studies within the watershed -
 - i) Hebron’s has been completed & submitted to FEMA & sent to Army Corps.
 - (1) Now considered “Best Available Information”.
 - ii) Newark’s study is nearly complete.

New Business

- 1) Funding Update:
- a) Gaining more interest in other Public Officials
 - b) We have funds to set up a website to disseminate information and receive feed-back from the public.
 - i) Linda received a quote for \$3000 to set up a website. Suggests having a vendor attend a meeting to describe their services, and discussion that we need at least three quotes to consider.
 - ii) Kevin moved we proceed to prepare a Request for Proposal for the design of a website and its advertising, Linda seconded, motion carried.
 - c) Linda reported she attended the Licking County Board of Commissioners meeting to request funding from the Board, the BOC stated they would consider amending their preliminary budget to include some funding and indicated they would fund us similar to Fairfield (but did not firmly obligate themselves).
 - d) Kevin reports he will be meeting with Perry County Commissioners this coming Wednesday at 10am.

Discussion/Comments:

Barbara Bebout asked about the extent of the Conservancy District – Kevin described its geographic area.

Barbara Bebout and Greg Miller described their residential area and the hydraulic observations of the March flood event and its impacts on their areas.

Matt Baumann commented on development areas near Buckeye Lake, wetland proposals; dredging activities planned by ODNR in Maple Bay.

Next Meeting: **same location and time on February 8, 2021.**

Motion to adjourn at 7:08 pm: Kevin moved we adjourn, Linda seconded, motion carried.

Approved on _____, 20--

Linda Nicodemus

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